

State Plan to Address Autism Spectrum Disorders for 2015

Objective	Recommendations	Strategies	Partners in Action	Status	Critical Issues Addressed
1.1	Secure state and federal funding, grants and other resources to ensure adequate service delivery.	1.1.1 Advocate and provide legislative testimony to support funding for services that support individuals with ASD.	CASD Resource Development Subcommittee, ASDS, DETR		Funding; Services
1.1		1.1.2 Provide letters of support to statewide agencies and non-profit organizations in their pursuit of additional funding opportunities	CASD Resource Development Subcommittee		Funding; Services
1.2	Expand access to health insurance benefits for ASD services.	1.2.1 Identify and engage organizations that utilize self-funded insurance plans to increase ASD coverage.	CASD Resource Development Subcommittee		Funding
1.3	Expand Medicaid Coverage for ASD services throughout the lifespan.	1.3.1 Advocate for Medicaid coverage which supports ASD screening, diagnosis, and treatment.	CASD Resource Development Subcommittee, DHCFP		Screening & Diagnosis, Services
1.3	Establishment of adequate Medicaid reimbursements	1.3.2 Identify and ensure that Medicaid reimbursement rates are sufficient to support access to services.	CASD Resource Development Subcommittee, DHCFP		Funding; Services
2.1	Promote and legislatively advocate for the adoption of policies and funding which deliver comprehensive services for young children to ensure optimal outcomes.	2.1.1 Advocate for immediate eligibility of and connection to comprehensive treatment and services for children based upon a failed ASD screening.	CASD Early Childhood Subcommittee		Systems; Services
2.3	Promote and legislatively advocate for policies and funding which deliver self-directed, person-centered services for adults	2.3.1 Collaborate with the Governor's Task Force on Integrated Employment to advocate for and ensure that the employment needs and choices of Nevadans with ASD are identified, understood and addressed.	CASD Adults and Aging Subcommittee, Governor's Task Force on Integrated Employment		Knowledge

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2.3		2.3.2 Promote entrepreneurial enterprise and business creation opportunities for Nevadans with ASD to Governor's Office of Economic Development, local and state agencies, private for-profit and non-profit entities	CASD Adults and Aging Subcommittee, Office of Economic Development		Systems
2.3		2.3.3 Collaborate with ADSD, DHCFP, CSPD providers and recipients to establish policies and systems which enable Nevadans with disabilities, including ASD, to self-select their own residential setting.	CASD Adults and Aging Subcommittee, ADSD, DHCFP, CSPD		Systems
3.1	Establish a sufficient pool of credentialed Registered Behavior Technicians (RBT).	3.1.1 Collaborate to track and fund RBT trainings statewide	CASD Workforce Development Subcommittee, DETR, CCSD, UNR, UNLV		Workforce
3.3	Establish training options for primary and secondary ASD service providers.	3.3.1 Develop a training approach that incorporates online learning toolkits, training workshops, statewide conference participation and peer supported networks for individuals in the field.	CASD Workforce Development Subcommittee, DETR, ADSD, Universities		Knowledge; Systems
3.4	Establish a web-based directory/marketplace for ASD providers	3.4.1 Collaborate with ADSD to support the launch of its web-based directory/marketplace.	CASD Workforce Development Subcommittee, DETR, ADSD, Universities		Knowledge

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4.1	Establish a statewide education and outreach campaign regarding ASD.	4.1.1 Coordinate with the Division of Public and Behavioral Health to establish and implement a statewide community education campaign. Develop outreach materials for billboards, posters and flyers specifically for rural Nevada.	CASD, DPBH, ADSD, collaboration with nonprofits and parents		Knowledge; Systems